# **GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS**

Conference Call Board Meeting February 8, 2010 Professional Licensing Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, GA 31217 9:00 a.m.

The Board Meeting for the Georgia State Board of Athletic Trainers was held via telephone conference on Monday, February 8, 2010 at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

| The following Board members were present: | Others Present:                  |
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| Mr. Russ Hoff                             | Anita Martin, Executive Director |
| Mr. Tom Bair                              | Patricia Downing, Board Attorney |
| Mr. Jeff Treadway                         | Carol White, Board Secretary     |
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**Mr.** Hoff established that a quorum was present and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

## Minutes from the December 14, 2009:

The minutes from the December 14, 2009 Conference Call Board meeting were approved. – Mr. Bair made a motion to approve, Mr. Treadway seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>Newly Licensed Athletic Trainers:</u> Mr. Bair made a motion to approve the newly licensed Athletic Trainers. Mr. Treadway seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

| License Number | Name                       | Issued Date |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| AT001712       | Kiernicki, Jared William   | 12/10/2009  |
| AT001713       | Schuck, Carey Ann Johnston | 12/10/2009  |
| AT001714       | Woods, Rebecca Morgan      | 1/11/2010   |
| AT001715       | Robertson, Kelly Lynn      | 1/14/2010   |
| AT001716       | Sharpe, Lindsey Morgan     | 1/14/2014   |
| AT001717       | Patterson, Sarah Ann       | 1/19/2010   |

#### **Board Rules:**

Mr. Bair made a motion to post the Board Rules 53-02-.03, 53-3-.01 and 53-4-.02. Mr. Treadway seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Mr. Bair voted to repeal Board Rule 53-3-.01 and 53-3-.02. Mr. Treadway seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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## 53-02-.03 Athletic Trainer

(1)"Athletic trainer" means a person with specific qualifications, as set forth in Code Section 43-5-8 who, upon the advice and consent of a physician, carries out the practice of prevention, recognition, evaluation, management, disposition, treatment, or rehabilitation of athletic injuries; and, in carrying out these functions, the athletic trainer is authorized to use physical modalities, such as heat, light, sound, cold, electricity, or mechanical devices related to prevention, recognition, evaluation, management, disposition, rehabilitation, and treatment. The term "athletic trainer" shall not include any student, teacher, or other authorized volunteer for an elementary, middle school or high school, either public or private, within this state who serves as a first responder or other layman position providing basic first aid within this state but who does not perform the duties of an athletic trainer or holds himself/herself out as an athletic trainer. (a) For purposes of this rule basic first aid includes the initial steps taken to stabilize an injury or illness situation until more advanced or professionally trained personnel can assume treatment measures. This care generally consists of simple, life-saving or injury-stabilizing techniques that a non-doctor or lay person can be easily trained to perform with minimal equipment, and is generally recognized as such by national organizations such as the American Red Cross, National Safety Council, American Heart Association, or other similar organization. (2) The term "athletic trainer" shall not include any students, teacher, or other person who serves as a first responder for an elementary school or high school, either public or private, within this State. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to prevent any person from serving as an athletic training student, assistant athletic trainer, teacher athletic trainer, or any similar volunteer position if such service is not primarily for compensation and is carried out under the supervision of a physician or a licensed athletic trainer.

(3)The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to apply to any person engaging in the practice of athletic training while employed for such purpose by a non-Georgia post-secondary educational institution, professional athletic organization, or formally organized sports event which is present in this state for an athletic competition or exhibition for up to 14 days. The athletic trainer must be certified by the Board of Certification (BOC) or recognized by another states regulatory body, and any athletic training activities must be limited to the members of the employing organization during the stay in Georgia. The organization may petition the Board for exemption from licensure for a longer period of time and approval is up to the sole discretion of the Board.

## **53-2-.06** An athletic injury means any injury sustained by a person:

(a) as a result of such person's participation in (i) exercise, (ii) sports, (iii) games, (iv) recreation, or (v) other activities which require physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed, or stamina; and

(b) any injury, without respect to where or how the injury occurs, which prevents such person from participating in (i) exercise, (ii) sports, (iii) games, (iv) recreation or (v) other activities which require physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed, or stamina.

**53-3-.01 Qualifications** Repealed Repealed

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## 53-4-.02 NATA Certified.

An applicant who holds current National Athletic Trainers Association Certification (NATA) Board of Certification (BOC) may be licensed without examination upon submission of the appropriate forms and fee.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Bair moved, Mr. Treadway seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(1)(2), O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2) & (4) and O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(4) to deliberate on applications, and to receive information on investigations. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

## **Applications/Licensure:**

1. T.J.A. – Reinstatement application. Applicant must pay all appropriate fines and fees. Once the appropriate fees are paid, applicant is approved for reinstatement.

## **Cognizant Report**:

AT080033- Close case. Applicant does not have a current license, flag file if he attempts to reinstate.

AT090050 - Close with a Letter of Concern.

AT100068 - The Board voted to file a Notice of Hearing for Revocation bases upon Board of Certification revoked based upon felony conviction. Executive Director will get certified copies of felony conviction.

AT080018 – Close case. Flag file is applicant attempts to reinstate license or if Board received a new complaint.

Mr. Treadway motioned, Mr. Bair seconded and the Board voted to approve all recommendations made in Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Treadway made a motion, Mr. Blair seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: Carol White, Board Secretary

Minutes reviewed and edited by: Anita O. Martin, Executive Director

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